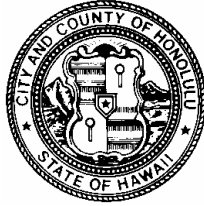


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IN REPLY REFER TO:

**79th LEI DAY CELEBRATION
HAWAIIAN LEI CONTEST
LEI CONTEST RULES**

Sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation
Monday, May 1, 2006 – Queen Kapi'olani Park

THEME:

Nā Lei Mālamalama o Nā Kai 'Ewalu
The Illuminating Lei of the Eight Seas

The traditional phrase “Nā Kai 'Ewalu,” is a Hawaiian reference describing how the same body of water that separates the islands of Hawai'i also binds the islands together.

This year's Lei Day Celebration theme, “Nā Lei Mālamalama o Nā Kai 'Ewalu” pays tribute to the lei material and colors that have become synonymous with each of the eight major islands of Hawai'i as well as portray their relationship to each other.

The composer's/lei makers' artistry and skill with mea ulu (plants) will be challenged to showcase the uniqueness and beauty of each island.

**Mai ka hikina a ka lā i Kumukahi
A ka welona o ka lā i Lehua.**

*From the sunrise at Kumukahi to
The fading sunlight at Lehua*

From sunrise to sunset.
Kumukahi in Puna, Hawai'i, was called the land of the sunrise
and Lehua, the land of the sunset.
This saying also refers to a life span – from birth to death.

‘Ōlelo No‘eau #2058
Mary Kawena Pukui
(Bishop Museum Press, 1983)

Our Nā Lei Mālamalama o Nā Kai ‘Ewalu “voyage” will meander through the uniqueness and beauty of each island, from the dawn at Kumukahi to dusk at Lehua.

RULES

1. Any individual or group may enter an unlimited number of lei. Each lei shall be entered only once.
2. Age determination is based on the lei maker’s age on May 1, 2006.
Adult – 18+ years of age
3. Each lei must be accompanied by a completed official entry form, submitted to the Lei Receiving booth at Queen Kapi‘olani Park, on May 1, 2006, from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Lei received after the 9:00 a.m., deadline may be displayed but will not be eligible for prizes and will not be returned to their owners.
4. Employees of the Department of Parks and Recreation of the City and County of Honolulu are not eligible to enter this contest.
5. **All lei entered in the contest will not be returned.** Lei will be taken to Mauna ‘Ala, the Royal Mausoleum at 2261 Nu‘uanu Avenue, on May 2, 2006. The public is invited to this ceremony, which begins at 9:00 a.m. The lei may be viewed before the ceremony begins. As part of the ceremony, the public participates by draping the lei on the crypts and tombs of Hawai‘i’s ali‘i.
6. The Department of Parks and Recreation reserves the right to:
 - a. disqualify any lei that does not comply with the contest rules or division specifications.
 - b. disqualify any lei submitted in which the contestant does not meet the eligibility requirements.
 - c. disqualify any lei registered in the wrong division/category.
7. All decisions made by the Department of Parks and Recreation are final.
8. All lei must be wearable.
9. All lei must be made in one (1) or a combination of any of the following methods:

METHOD

DESCRIPTION

Haku:	Braiding flowers, leaves, and/or fruit in a three-strand plait of fern, lau kī (ti leaf), hau fiber, etc.
Hili:	Braiding or weaving of a single plant material.
Humupapa:	Plant materials are sewn to a foundation of dried banana fiber, lauhala, lau kī or other suitable materials.
Kui:	Plant materials are strung together through the center or side.

METHOD

DESCRIPTION

- Kīpu‘u: The stems of leaves are knotted together to make a chain. No cordage or needle is used.
- Wili: Plant materials are placed on a backing of lau kī, lauhala, dried banana fiber or other suitable material and wound with fiber or thread around the plant material and backing.
10. All lei shall be made with natural plant materials and limited to flowers, leaves, stems, roots, fruits, and seeds. Shells will be allowed for Ni‘ihau lei only.
11. Lei made of nonnatural materials, artificially treated, or artificially colored natural materials **shall be disqualified, EXCEPT** artificial materials or treated materials, such as string, ribbon, dental floss, which may be used only to bind the lei.
12. Endangered plants shall not be used. Any lei containing endangered plants will be disqualified and will not be displayed. A list of endangered plants is available for review at the:
State Department of Land and Natural Resources
Forestry and Wildlife Division
1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 325
Telephone: 587-0166
Website: <http://www.state.hi.us/dlnr/dofaw/pubs/TEplant.html>
13. All lei must have a 2-inch loop (for hanging) at the top; with a 2-inch tail at the bottom end (this identifies the top and bottom of the lei).
14. The measurements are as follows:
- a. Lei ‘Ā‘ī (neck lei): minimum 36 and maximum 42 inches long
- b. Lei Pāpale (hat lei): minimum 22 and maximum 24 inches long
15. **DIVISIONS AND AWARDS:**
There are four Lei ‘Ā‘ī Divisions and one Lei Pāpale Division. Any number of lei may be entered by an individual or group in the Lei ‘Ā‘ī or Lei Pāpale Divisions. **Each lei shall be entered in only one division.** For lei entered in the Lei ‘Ā‘ī division, a contestant cannot win more than one prize in any one category. For all other divisions, a contestant cannot win more than one prize in each division.
- a. **LEI ‘Ā‘ī:**
There are eight (8) categories in the Lei ‘Ā‘ī Division. Lei entered in the Lei ‘Ā‘ī Division must be a minimum of 36” and a maximum of 42” long; and, must be made using one (1) or a combination of any of the six (6) methods described in item #9 above. Each lei entered into a category must use a combination of the criteria (color and lei material) as specified within that category. Example, a lei in Category #8, the Hawai‘i island category, shall be accented with ‘ōhi‘a lehua (flowers and/or leaves) and be primarily red in color.

The eight (8) categories are:

CATEGORY	ISLAND	COLOR	LEI MATERIAL
1	Ni‘ihau	Ke‘oke‘o (white)	Pūpū (shell). Ni‘ihau is the only island with a shell not a flower/plant as its symbol. This lei shall be accented with natural shells (of your choice) and be primarily white in color.
2	Kaua‘i	Poni (purple)	Mokihana (<i>Pelea anisata</i>). This lei shall be accented with mokihana (an acceptable substitute may be seagrapes, <i>Coccoloba uvifera</i>) and be primarily purple or lavender in color.
3	O‘ahu	Pala luhiehu (golden yellow) or melemele (yellow)	‘Ilima (<i>Sida fallax</i>). This lei shall be accented with ‘ilima and be primarily golden yellow/yellow in color.
4	Moloka‘i	‘Ōma‘oma‘o (green)	Kukui (<i>Aleurites moluccana</i>). This lei shall be accented with kukui and be primarily green in color. You may use either the leaf, nut (with husk, without husk, rough or finished, whole or in half) and/or flower from the kukui.
5	Lāna‘i	‘Alani (orange)	Kauna‘oa (<i>Cuscuta sandwichiana</i>). This lei shall be accented with kauna‘oa and be primarily orange in color.
6	Maui	‘Ākala (pink)	Lokelani (<i>Rosa damascena</i>). This lei shall be accented with lokelani (different rose varieties are acceptable) and be primarily pink in color.
7	Kaho‘olawe	Hinahina (silvery gray)	Hinahina (<i>Heliotropium anomalum</i> , var. <i>argenteum</i>). This lei shall be accented with hinahina and/or Spanish moss (<i>Tillandsia usneoides</i>) and shall be primarily silvery gray in color.
8	Hawai‘i	‘Ula‘ula (red)	‘Ōhi‘a Lehua (<i>Metrosideros macropus M. collina</i>). This lei shall be accented with ‘ōhi‘a lehua (flowers and/or leaves)

CATEGORY	ISLAND	COLOR	LEI MATERIAL
			and be primarily red in color. Other varieties of <i>Metrosideros</i> will also be acceptable.

Lei ‘Ā‘Ī Awards (for each category in this division):

PLACEMENT	AWARD	RIBBON
First Place	\$200	Blue
Second Place	\$160	Red
Third Place	\$120	White

b. LEI ‘Ā‘Ī NĀ KAI ‘EWALU (theme lei):

Lei entered in the Lei ‘Ā‘Ī Nā Kai ‘Ewalu Division must be a minimum of 36” and a maximum of 42” long; and, must be made using one (1) or a combination of any of the six (6) methods described in item #9 above. Each lei entered must use a minimum of five (5) categories (as stated in # 15a above).

Example: a lei incorporating Categories #1, 3, 4, 7, and 8 (minimum of five categories), representing Ni‘ihau, O‘ahu, Moloka‘i, Kaho‘olawe and Hawai‘i islands, shall be accented with pūpū, ‘ilima, kukui, hinahina AND ‘ōhi‘a lehua and be primarily white, golden yellow/yellow, green, silvery gray AND red in color.

Lei ‘Ā‘Ī Nā Kai ‘Ewalu Awards:

PLACEMENT	AWARD	RIBBON
First Place	\$250	Blue
Second Place	\$200	Red
Third Place	\$150	White

c. LEI ‘Ā‘Ī KAMA‘ĀINA:

Lei entered in the Lei ‘Ā‘Ī Kama‘āina Division must be a minimum of 22” and maximum of 24” long; and, must be made using one (1) or a combination of any of the six (6) methods described in item #9 above. **A contestant entering in this category must be a resident of the State of Hawai‘i and never received an award in any Department of Parks and Recreation’s annual lei contest held on May 1st of each year. A “resident” means any person who has resided in Hawai‘i for more than 364 days in the past calendar year.**

Lei ‘Ā‘Ī Kama‘āina Awards:

PLACEMENT	AWARD	RIBBON
First Place	\$100	Blue
Second Place	\$80	Red
Third Place	\$60	White

d. LEI ‘Ā‘Ī MALIHINI:

Lei entered in the Lei ‘Ā‘Ī Malihini Division must be a minimum of 22” and maximum of 24” long; and, must be made using one (1) or a combination of any of the six (6) methods described in item #9 above. **A contestant entering in this category must be a nonresident of Hawai‘i and never received an award in any Department of Parks and Recreation’s annual lei contest held on May 1st of each year.**

Lei ‘Ā‘Ī Malihini Awards:

PLACEMENT	AWARD	RIBBON
First Place	\$100	Blue
Second Place	\$80	Red
Third Place	\$60	White

e. **LEI PĀPALE:**

Lei entered in the Lei Pāpale Division must be a minimum of 22” and maximum of 24” long; and, must be made using one (1) or a combination of any of the six (6) methods described in item #9 above.

Lei Pāpale Awards:

PLACEMENT	AWARD	RIBBON
First Place	\$200	Blue
Second Place	\$160	Red
Third Place	\$120	White
Fourth Place	\$80	Green
Fifth Place	\$50	Yellow

f. **MAYOR’S GRAND PRIZE**

In addition to the above divisions, one lei will be selected from all entries as the Best in the Show and awarded the Mayor’s Grand Prize.

PLACEMENT	AWARD	RIBBON
Mayor’s Grand Prize	\$500	Purple

16. **AWARDING OF PRIZES** – Winners will receive their check and ribbon awards through the mail, **no earlier than May 31, 2006**. Contestant’s social security number is required in order to receive monetary award. Contestants need not be present to win.
17. All lei will be on display to the public on May 1, 2006 from 1:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., at the Queen Kapi‘olani Park (between the bandstand and Waikīkī Shell).
18. For more information about the contest, please contact Mr. Todd Hiranaga of the Department of Parks and Recreation at 973-7250.



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